



INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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App. No. : 09/929,700
Filed : August 31, 2001
For : TISSUE OPENING LOCATOR AND
EVERTER AND METHOD
Examiner : Gary Jackson
Group Art Unit : 3731

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is form PTO-1449 listing one (1) reference that is also enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

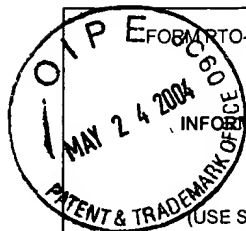
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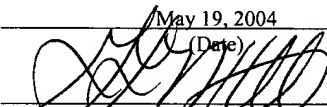
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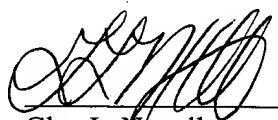
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are:

- (X) An Information Disclosure Statement.
- (X) A PTO Form 1449 with one (1) reference.
- (X) A check in the amount of \$180 to cover the above fee is enclosed.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 11-1410.
- (X) Return prepaid postcard.


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